

## KING COUNTY

## TRANSPORTATION PLANNER IV

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION/TRANSIT DIVISION

Service Development Section
Annual Salary Range \$ 68,453.42 – \$82,754.88
Job Announcement No.: 03CY3229
OPEN: 6/11/03 CLOSE: 7/3/03

**WHO MAY APPLY:** This position is open to the general public.

WHERE TO APPLY: Required forms and materials <u>must</u> be sent to: 201 S. Jackson Street, M.S. KSC-TR-0419, Seattle, WA 98104 or hand-delivered to Career and Employment Center at 201 S. Jackson Street, Floor 1A. Applications materials must be received by 4:00 p.m. on the closing date. (Postmarks are <u>NOT ACCEPTED</u>.) Contact Christine Ynzunza at (206) 263-4782 for further inquiries. PLEASE NOTE: Applications not received at the location and by the closing date and time, specified above, will not be processed.

**FORMS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED:** A King County application form, resume, and letter of interest detailing your background and describing how you meet or exceed the requirements, are **required**.

WORK LOCATION: King Street Center, 201 S. Jackson Street, Seattle, WA.

**WORK SCHEDULE:** This position is exempt from the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act, and is not overtime eligible. The workweek is normally 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**PRIMARY JOB DUTIES INCLUDE:** Reporting to the Supervisor of Service Planning, this position will develop multiple programs or plans and develop policy in the area of transportation. Use highly specialized technical expertise and serve as a unique resource to King County Metro. This position will lead a team of transportation planners involved in the development and implementation of King County Metro system development components including inter-agency and inter-jurisdictional transit and transportation policy plans and projects. Projects include: coordinated oversight with project partners of downtown Seattle surface operations projects coinciding with the temporary closure of the Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel; development of an arterial bus rapid transit plan as called for in King County Metro's Six-Year Transit Development Plan; integration of King County Metro service and facilities with Link Light Rail and the Seattle Monorail; and other significant transportation system planning projects such as the Alaska Way Viaduct, SR-520 and I-405. Job duties include:

- Represent King County Metro on other transportation and transit policy planning efforts with jurisdictions, public transportation agencies and other public or private entities in King County. Use highly refined professional judgement in committing agency actions or resources.
- Direct complex, substantive analyses of service, facilities options, and impacts and make recommendations.
- Responsible for periodic communications with the public, local jurisdiction staff and elected officials, transportation planning boards, division and department management and the King County Council.
- Direct work load allocation for a planning team within the Service Planning work group, as well as internal and external staff who may be matrixed into project teams or to work on individual project elements.
- Serve as technical expert to agency or to external decision-makers.
- Identify planning goals and define project/program needs.
- Lead work in accomplishing assigned objectives, including ensuring that team objectives are met, assigning tasks within the group, facilitating group discussion, prioritizing work and resolving group conflict. Analyze work team products/reports. May establish work team or supervise other staff or consultants.

- Recommend prioritization and funding of transportation improvement projects.
- Establish, track and ensure implementation of program scopes of work and project budgets.
- Establish new program elements and strategies.
- Negotiate agreements or participate in negotiations with other jurisdictions, agencies, or private organizations to develop collaborative solutions to transportation problems.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** A master's degree in planning or closely related field, plus four years of increasingly responsible experience in planning and development related to transit and transportation planning, including at least two years acting in a lead capacity, is required. Alternatively, a bachelor's degree and five years increasingly responsible experience in planning and development related to transit and transportation planning, including at least two years acting in a lead capacity, or the equivalent combination of education and experience is required. Additional requirements include:

- Demonstrated application of knowledge of transportation and transit planning and design principles, techniques, practices and issues, including relationship to demand management and land use.
- Demonstrated skill in working with elected officials, internal and external agency staffs and the general public with diverging opinions and viewpoints.
- Demonstrated ability to lead projects and build teams.
- Knowledge of general transit systems, the King County Metro Six-Year Transit Development Plan for 2002 to 2007 and the use of alternative commute modes to reduce single occupancy vehicle use.
- Advanced knowledge of project management techniques and principles.
- A working knowledge of transportation modeling (mode split analysis) and major investment study alternatives analysis, including cost effectiveness evaluations
- Knowledge and experience in negotiation and partnership development.
- Extensive policy/program analysis and design/development skills.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Strong presentation skills.
- Creative problem-solving skills and a demonstrated "can do" approach.
- Strong evaluation and decision making skills.
- Skill in applying and presenting data.
- Skill in handling multiple tasks and priorities.
- Strategic thinking skills.
- Budget development and monitoring skills.
- Proficient with Excel, Word, and PowerPoint. Knowledge of database applications desirable.

**NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Valid Washington State driver's license or the ability to travel throughout the county in a timely manner.

**SELECTION PROCESS:** Applications will be screened for clarity and completeness. Competitive applicants may be invited to participate in a panel interview and written exercise. Finalists may interview with the supervisor.

**UNION MEMBERSHIP:** This position is represented by I.F.P.T.E., Local 17 - Professional and Technical

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